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Title: Evaporative Duplex Counterheat Exchanger

Response

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Sir:

In response to the office action dated as mailed on 11/17/04, and having a period of response extending through and including 02/17/05, Applicants request reconsideration of the above identified application.

Applicants traverse the objection to claims 5-9, and the examiner's contention of "product by process claims," and the reference to MPEP 2113.

Claims 5-9 clearly recite a "method of using" which were written specifically in accordance with MPEP 821.04.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to these claims is warranted and is requested.

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